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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- 1. Copy of Issue Fee Transmittal/Form PTOL-85B (1 page)
- 2. Check for \$685.000 (# 19730) to cover Issue Fee:
- 3. Check for \$30.00 (# 19731) to cover 10 advanced soft copies of patent; and,
- 4. Formal Drawings (12 pages; FIGURES 1-12);
- 5. Letter to Official Draftsperson (1 page); and
- 6. Return Postcard.

Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19374-509. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

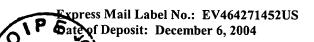
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LETTER TO OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Subject to the approval of the Examiner, enclosed for filing in the present application are twelve (12) sheets of formal drawings including Figs. 1-12.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at telephone (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 19374-509.

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